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Act No. 70 (H.527). Taxation and fees

An act relating to Executive Branch and Judicial Branch fees

This act amends Executive Branch and Judicial Branch fees as follows:

- Secs. 1–1a make changes to the fees charged by the Department of Financial Regulation for financial and related services. These changes include moving the fees to a new chapter, fee adjustments, and new fees.
- Secs. 2–3a make changes to the fees charged by the Department of Financial Regulation for insurance services. These changes include fee adjustments and changing a fee from a biennial to an annual basis.
- Sec. 4 adjusts the fees charged by the Department of Financial Regulation for securities services.
 - Secs. 5–6 adjust the fees charged by the Department of Fish and Wildlife.
- Sec. 7 pertains to the Department of Labor and maintains the Workers' Compensation Fund premium rate at 1.4 percent for fiscal year 2020.
 - Sec. 8 adjusts the fee charged for registration of an all-terrain vehicle.
- Sec. 9 adjusts the gross receipts taxes charged to public service companies by the Department of Public Service and the Public Utility Commission. Each of these taxes is now split, in varying proportions, between the Department of Public Service and the Public Utility Commission.
- Secs. 10–12 create the fees charged by the Department of Public Service and the Public Utility Commission in their role of reviewing applications under section 248 of Title 30. They also establish how these fees are refunded and direct the supported entities to evaluate and report on the use of billback mechanisms to recover the costs related to reviewing certain applications.
- Secs. 13–26 make changes to the fees charged by the Office of Professional Regulation. These changes include fee adjustments, new fees, and the change for certain professions from the board model to the advisory profession model.
- Secs. 27–28 make changes to the fees charged by the Judicial Branch. These changes include new fees, the elimination of fees, and the clarification of when two fees must be paid.

Sec. 29 adjusts the fee that is charged to pharmaceutical manufacturers or labelers of prescription drugs by the Agency of Human Services.

Multiple effective dates, beginning on July 1, 2019